

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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For: **PHARMACEUTICAL COMPOSITIONS,**) Customer No. 77845
 KITS AND THERAPEUTIC USES OF)
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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

MAIL STOP AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed on February 3, 2009, in connection with the above-identified patent application (Paper No./Mail Date 20090126), please consider the following arguments. This Response is timely filed within the three-month shortened period set for the response and requires no extension of time.

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